RURAL CONNECTIONS Goodsprings Wins Fire Department of the Year

The 83rd Annual Nevada State Firefighters Association Training Conference was held last month in Ely, Nevada. Firefighters from around the state come together each summer to learn new skills, take part in competitions, and share experiences. This year, the Goodsprings Volunteer Fire Department was named NSFA's Fire Department of the Year. Goodsprings Firefighter, Trey, was on hand to accept the award on behalf of the crew back home at Station 78.

Sandy Valley firefighters also brought home awards. Ray Armstrong earned a 2nd place trophy in the Monkey Drill competition. The Monkey Drill is a timed race to join the male and female ends of two hoses together before the water gets to the junction. Scott Brown brought home a 2nd place trophy for the Manipulative Skills competition which includes a variety of tests like dummy drag, climbing a ladder, moving tires – all while dressed in full gear and wearing an air pack.

Congratulations to all the winners! And, a huge thank you to all of the Volunteer Fire Fighters that work to keep our rural communities safe.











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Nevada Wins Award at National Student Council Conference

Each year the National Student Council Associate recognizes the outstanding work of state Student Council Associations with the Kyker State Association Service Project Award. This year the award was presented to the Nevada student delegation at the National Student Council Conference on June 25, 2018 in Plymouth, Minnesota.

Through the 2017–2018 school year, the Nevada Student Council Association focused on the theme of Children in Need. With this service theme, Councils visited Children's Hospitals, shelters, local elementary schools, and raised money for children in third world countries. During the National Week of Service, which was March 4 –10 this year,



members throughout the state participated in a book drive. The books collected will be donated to foundations, schools and libraries - all placing books into the hands of students that need them the most. In addition to the dedication of time and energy, the Councils collected over \$250,000 during the year, with \$85,000 of that being collected during the Week of Service.

The Nevada delegation to the National Conference consisted of 32 student council members from 23 different Clark County School District High Schools. Accompanying the group were 5 adult Student Council Advisors, including Sandy Valley's Jamie Pascua.

The Story Behind the Scenery

Red Rock Canyon's Second Sundays Artists & Authors series will host author K. C. DenDooven at the Visitor's Center on Sunday, July 8 from 11 am to 3 pm.

Through his publishing company, KC Publications, he has sold more than 35 million books. Some of his 135 titles cover areas here in Southern Nevada including Valley of Fire, Lake Mead, Hoover Dam, Red Rock Canyon (now in its 13th printing), and much more. When he began the company back in 1963, the goal for the books was to promote appreciation, understanding and visitation to the many national parks.

DenDooven also helped push for National Conservation Area status for Red Rock Canyon and established the Red Rock Canyon Interpretive Association (RRCIA) in 1988. RRCIA has now enlarged to become the Southern Nevada Conservancy, who partners with many local Federal public lands. Come meet KC and check out these gorgeous photographic books.



Events for July – Southwest

- Saturday, July 7 BINGO at the Keystone Center in Sandy Valley, 6 pm
- Tuesday, July 10 Sandy Mesquite Valley Dev. Assoc. meeting at the SV Community Center, 6:30 pm
- Tuesday, July 10 Sandy Valley CAC* meeting at the Sandy Valley Community Center, 7:30 pm
- Wednesday, July 11 Mountain Springs CAC meeting at the Fire Station, 6 pm
- Saturday, July 21 Sandy Valley Community Breakfast, 8 am to 10:30 am at the Senior Center, \$4.00 for the best pancakes & sausage or biscuits & gravy
- Tuesday, July 16 Craft class at the Sandy Valley Community Center - 18 and over, 6:30 pm
- Tuesday, July 31 Goodsprings CAC* meeting at the Goodsprings Community Center, 7:30 pm
- Wednesday, August 1 Red Rock CAC* meeting at the Blue Diamond Library, 7 pm

*CAC = Citizens Advisory Council



• Water Games and Activities • Dunk Tank • Car Show • Dj & Karaoke And more!



vendors!

• \$25 DONATION PER BOOTH VENDORS MUST PROVIDE THEIR OWN EQUIPMENT I.E.: CANOPIES, TABLES, CHAIRS ETC. ALL FEES ARE NONREFUNDABLE AS THEY ARE USED TO PROMOTE THE EVENTS. NO ELECTRICITY OR RUNNING WATER IS AVAILABLE OUR EVENTS USUALLY RUN FROM 10 AM TO 10 PM SET UP TIME VENDORS CAN BEGIN SET UP AT 8 AM BREAKDOWN IS AT 10 PM. VENDORS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR LEAVING THE AREA IN THE SAME

•Parade Starts at 10AM. •FIRE DEPT. ANIMALS, AND WALKERS WILL START ON MIAMI & QUARTZ. •ALL OTHER FLOATS WILL START AT THE IDLE SPURS ON QUARTZ. •A \$5 domation WILL BE TAKEN WITH YOUR PARTICIPATION FORM. •THE BEST PARTICIPANT IN EACH CATEGORY WILL WIN A PRIZE, SO PLEASE REGISTER!



MAKING MAGIC WITH ADAM LONDON

Magician Adam London will amaze you with his clever wit and sleight of hand at this family-friendly magic show that will leave you wondering "How did he do that?!"

Sandy Valley Library Thursday, July 12th at 11:30 am



Las Vegas-area police and fire are cracking down on the illegal use of fireworks to an extent that hasn't been seen in two decades.

Offenders are subject to \$1,000 citations (& up to 6 months in jail) and may be liable for fireworks disposal fees running into the hundreds of dollars.



Officers can't be everywhere, but don't risk it!



Fireworks were responsible for an estimated 11,100 injuries 2016.

Children younger than 15 years of age make up almost one-third of the injuries. The noise scares pets and can be disturbing to veterans and those suffering from post-traumatic stress syndrome. Additionally, fireworks pollute our air. It is estimated that local fire departments respond to 50,000+ fires caused by fireworks each year.

Only "safe and sane" fireworks are allowed to be used, except in cases of commercial shows. But not all "safe and sane" fireworks are legal in Clark County and its cities. The best way to ensure that your fireworks are not illegal is to buy from locally licensed and inspected fireworks booths.



To report illegal fireworks, DO NOT call 9-1-1 or 3-1-1. Instead, report complaints online at:

www.ISpyFireworks.com

(Information will be used to document areas of concern and plan future law enforcement action.)

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Fireworks Safety

Keep your pets secured INSIDE your

home. Even dogs in fenced yards find ways to escape the scary sounds.

Give them a safe place to hide. Set up a comfortable room or crate in your house just for them.

Use ambient noise to mask the noise. A radio

or TV playing comforting music works well.

Update their IDs & microchips (just in case).

Skip the celebration and stay home with

them. Sometimes your presence makes all the difference.

Keep them busy.

Treat toys, like Kongs, can help distract them during the display.





Events for July – Northwest

- **Tuesdays at the Indian Springs Community Center** Knit, Stitch and Crochet is a great opportunity for knitters, crocheters and other fiber artists to gather and share their projects & talk over ideas, 10 am
- Wednesdays at the Indian Springs Community Center Coffee Talk: The doors will be open and the coffee will be on, so stop by for some good conversation, 10:30 am
- Thursdays at the Indian Springs Community Center The Pathway to Sobriety 12 Step Addiction Recovery Open Meeting, 6 to 7 pm, call 702–375–5758 for more information
- Saturdays at Trucks Field in Indian Springs Just for Fun Softball, all residents 18 and over are welcome to participate. There are no designated teams be at the field at 7 pm for team selection.
- Thursday, July 12 Indian Springs TAB* meeting at the Indian Springs Community Center, 6:30 pm
- Friday, July 13 Summer Teen Night at the Indian Springs Community Center, 6 to 10 pm, Ages 13–18, \$1.00
- Thursday, July 26 BINGO at the Indian Springs Community Center, 18+, 7 to 9 pm
- Thursday, August 2 Mt. Charleston TAB meeting at the Mt. Charleston Library, 7 pm

*TAB = Town Advisory Board



"Kids Petting Zoo" Play bluegrass instruments!



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12 pm - 3 pm

out of the desert



sagebrush string band



frequent flyers

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Rural Connections

Events for July – Northeast

- Wednesday, July 11 Moapa Valley TAB* meeting at the Moapa Valley Community Center, 7 pm
- Tuesday, July 31 Moapa TAB* meeting at the Robinson Justice Court & Community Center, 7 pm
- Thursday, August 2 Bunkerville TAB* meeting at the Bunkerville Community Center, 7 pm

*TAB = Town Advisory Board



7:00 a.m.Frag hashing ceremony7:15 a.m.Breakfast9:00 a.m.Young Patriots Parade9:30 amCandy/Games/Watermelon10:30 a.m.Water Fight

5:30 p.m.Flag Retreat5:45 pmDinner6:30 p.m.Music & Entertainment8:30 p.m.Awards Presentation8:55 p.m.National Anthem9:00 p.m.Fireworks Display

By VFW Post 8336, American Legion Post 75 & Local Scout Troops Provided by the Moapa Valley Rotary Club Provided by Alsum Insurance Agency/Farmers and Cal's Repair Center Provided by Clark County Parks and Recreation Provided by Moapa Valley Fire District, Stations 72, 73 and 74

By VFW Post 8336 and American Legion Post 75 Provided by Moapa Valley Chamber of Commerce Provided by Rick Houston and local entertainers Specials Awards - Clark County Parks and Recreation McKenzie Huff

ALL TIMES APPROXIMATE ***NO GLASS CONTAINERS or OUTSIDE FIREWORKS, SPARKLERS, or FIRE DISPLAY allowed on the Fairgrounds during the 2018 Independence Day Celebration.

Events for July – Southeast

- Tuesdays at the Laughlin Library Club Tuesdays, a wide variety of crafts, art, games, stories, and STEM activities for ages 5-11, 4:30 pm**
- Wednesdays at the Laughlin Library Lego Club, Ages 5-11, 4 pm**
- Fridays, July 6 and 13 at the Laughlin Library Kids Craft Corner, Ages 5-11, 3 pm**
- Fridays, July 6 & 27 Movie Matinees at the Laughlin Library, popcorn is provided, 2 pm**
- Sunday, July 8 Fratello Marionettes present Aladdin at the Laughlin Library, All ages, 3 pm**
- Tuesday, July 10 Laughlin TAB* Meeting at the Regional Government Center, 1:30 pm**
- Wednesday, July 11 Searchlight TAB* meeting at the Searchlight Community Center, 6 pm
- Thursday, July 12 Teen Art Night at the Laughlin Library, Ages 12-17, 4:00 pm**
- Friday, July 13 National Park Service Presents: Camping 101 at the Laughlin Library, All Ages, 2 pm**
- Saturday, July 21 Saturday Readers Book Club, Laughlin Library, 11 am**
- Tuesday, July 17 Device Advice at the Laughlin Library, 11 am to 1 pm**
- Wednesday, July 25 Adult Crafts at the Laughlin Library, 10:30 am**

*TAB = Town Advisory Board **For more information call the Laughlin Library at 702-507-4060

Laughlin Presents 28th Annual Rockets Over The River

Just after dark on Saturday, June 30 and Wednesday, July 4, the 28th annual Rockets Over The River fireworks display will be free for public viewing along the entire Laughlin River Walk. This extraordinary display is one of the most spectacular and unique in the West as the pyrotechnic company launches the rockets into the dark desert sky with the reflection of each colorful explosion shimmering on the Colorado River. Patriotic music will be choreographed to the fireworks and simulcast over speakers by Laughlin hotels and local radio stations. For details visit: https://www.visitlaughlin.com/event/rockets-over-theriver/33851/

